Events of Interest Throughout Indiana Chronicled by Journal Correspondents

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES CAUSED HEAVY LOSS

Eight Horses Cremated in One of Pipe Line People Want the Oil, as Them, Which Was Caused by Thrown Cigar Stump.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PORTLAND, Ind., Dec. 13 .-- Fire to-day destroyed the large barn of John Prillaman, five miles northeast of this city, with feature of most importance with oil men twenty tons of hay and 400 bushels of corn and the Standard's oil buying offices all and eight horses. The fire is believed to over the oil country are being watched daily have originated from a cigar stump. The for a change in quotations. For the past loss will aggregate \$2,506, with \$1,500 in- year the changes have taken place at the

The new \$50,000 Methodist Church in this city, dedicated two months ago, was the scene of a fire which did considerable damage, this morning during Sunday-school The pipe lines want the oil and their dominical engine.

The residence and household goods of Frank Evans at Dunkirk burned to-day vance rapidly and is certainly destined to from a defective flue. The loss is \$1,500. A leak in a pipe at the city electric plant at Albany, at 3 o'clock this morning, caused gas to accumulate beneath the floor, from which an explosion ensued. The engineer suffered a fracture of three ribs and amounted to 1,864,145 barrels, and the internal inuries which are probably fatal, and the night watch was also hurt. The damage to the plant will aggregate \$5,000.

LAST RAIL WAS LAID; BIG TIME FOLLOWED

Town of Pennville Connected with Outside World by the C., B. & C. Railroad.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PORTLAND, Ind., Dec. 13.-The last rail connecting the town of Pennville with the outside world was laid yesterday on the Cincinnati, Bluffton & Chicago Railroad, and as a fitting celebration of the greatest event in the town's history a big dinner was served. The dinner was cooked and served by the enterprising ladies, old and young, of the town, and at the tables were seated every man who had anything to do with the building of the road, from superintendent down to the water boys.

The road as now completed is seventeen miles long, extending between Bluffton and Pennville, but will be extended from Bluffton to Huntington and from Pennville to Portland and Union City. Twenty subsidies to various railroad projects have been voted by Pennville, and it is estimated that its citizens have put over \$50,000 in projects that failed to materialize. An elevator and a lumber yard will be located in the town at once, and a large improvement fund is to be raised to induce factories to come to the

CHAPTER HOUSE WAS THREATENED BY FIRE

Coal That Dropped from the Grate Nearly Caused a Destructive Blaze.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. GREENCASTLE, Ind., Dec. 13.-The \$10.-000 chapter house of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity of De Pauw was threatened with destruction by fire early this morning from

a coal which dropped from a grate.

At 5 o'clock the boys rooming in the house were awakened by the dense smoke that permeated all the rooms of the house, notwithstanding the closed doors. Hurried investigation revealed the cause of the fire and after a time the flame was extinguished with water carried in by hand. The blaze had spread from the grate, which is in the reading room, until a large area of divided among the leading counties as folthe hardwood noor was destroyed. Furni-ture, curtains and a rug were within a short distance of the burning place on the floor and a little more time only would have been needed to make the fire a serious

The chapter house is owned by the alum of the Indiana Alpha chapter and was bought by the Alumni Association and fur nished at a heavy expense.

NEW ELECTRIC PLANT WILL RECEIVE TES

Anderson to Be Brilliantly Illum nated by Electricity During the Holidays.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 13.-The much touted turbine engine and new electrical Mercer machinery which has been recently purchased and is now being installed for the city of Anderson will be given its initial test this week. Anderson proposes to have a thoroughly modern electric light plant. and has bought what is said to be the finest electrical machinery that is manufactured in the country. The turbine engines are new in this part of the State. The city officials have been rushing the work in order to have sufficient light for the holiday illumination of the courthouse square and principal business streets of the

THEATRICAL CAR IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Sleeping Actors Escape, but Lose Their Wardrobes-Elevator and Light Plant Scorched.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BELLEFONTAINE, O., Dec. 13 .- An exploding lamp set fire to the private car of the Ebony Belle Theatrical Company on a siding at Rushsylvania this morning, and the sleeping performers barely escaped.

Their wardrobes were destroyed. The fire was communicated to the Kenyon grain elevator and the electric light plant of the town and these were damaged to the extent of \$1,000.

SICK WITH TONSILITIS.

President Bryan, of Indiana University, Confined to Bed.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Dec. 13 .- Dr. W. L. Bryan, president of Indiana University. has been sick for the past week, and has not been able to be out of his room. The trouble has been tonsilitis and a very severe cold, contracted while attending the fun-eral of his brother-in-law at Pittsburg two

Small Wreck at Fort Wayne.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 12.-A wreck occurred here this afternoon between the first and second sections of a G. R. & I. freight train. No one was injured, as the J. Griffin's Interurban saloon, Mrs. William fireman and engineer saw their danger in time to jump. The engine was very badly damaged and the caboose was partly burned. Two flat cars and one Standard one Standard one Standard one Standard suit was filed in the Circuit Court here saturday norming, and is the first of the smount to saveral thousand dollars.

OIL MEN ARE LOOKING FOR ANOTHER ADVANCE

the Production Still Falls Below the Requirements.

CHURCH BURNED LATE FIELD STATISTICS

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 13.-The advance in the credit balance market continues to be the opening of the market in the Trenton limestone fields of Indiana and Ohio at 9 o'clock a. m. In former seasons changes were made at any time during office hours. hour. Fire Chief Aaron Baker was seri- ating minds are made up at the New York ously hurt by the overturning of the chem- end early in the morning, hence the changes take place at the opening. Early in the year the credit balance market began to adcontinue in that direction if the present condition of the stocks are any criterion. The pipe-line conditions in the two fields for November show a decline in stocks of 292,-870 barrels. The runs from the wells shipments 2,157,015 barrels. For the eleven months of the present year the shipments of oil have been over produced, showing that the stocks have been drawn upon to an alarming extent. It is admitted by all that the present is good price for all grades of oil and the only discouraging feature is the scarcity

> dustry to the producer in general throughout the country. It is the first time in many years that producers in the oil fields have not stood in awe of the discovery of some new and prolific producing territory in some unexpected quarter to be followed by another depression in the market. The Indiana field for the past two years has kept outside producers in a state of anxiety. Many times the oil man has looked forward to a period of prosperity only to have his hopes shattered by the discovery of a large field of Indiana. or a succession of small pools prolific in production. The developing and listing of large areas of territory in Indiana and Ohio has so reduced the share and only on the same area. has so reduced the chances for increasing

of new producing territory and the light

the production to a point that it will not come anywhere near the demand for highgrade crude, that owners of old wells in old territory almost forgotten are beginning to feel their importance and believe 'we are the people."
The effort in the Trenton rock fields the past week closed were no more satisfactory than has marked others of late. Taking the most promising undeveloped districts in the entire territory of Indiana and Ohio, there is no new discovery to indicate a reversal of the conditions that have prevailed for a long time. The much-longedfor territory in southwestern Indiana has not materialized to any great extent. To many who invested heavily and who began active operations some months ago it has lost its charm and incidentally a snug sum of money with it. The heavier losses were made in Martin and Dubois counties. It was there that showings of oil caused a rush. The desire for increased production spurred operators to put forth the greatest effort to start new work and rush it to completion, expecting to find spouters like those in the older producing areas in the early days. In Martin and adjoining counties out of at least forty completed wells less than half a dozen producers were found

that had any showing of oil to speak of. The field in Dubois county fared no better. Now the trade is making an effort to open up a new pool in Gibson and Pike counties in southern Indiana. What it will amount to yet remains to be seen. The oil there is of a very fine quality, and is found in the corniferous limestone, the same formation in which the Petrolia field in Ontario, Canada, gets its supply. The new field southeast of Fort Wayne, in Allen county, is beng watched by the trade. In that field the oil is being found at a greater depth than

in any other portion of the State. In the Trenton rock fields the past week 227 wells were completed, with only thirty dry holes. The first day's production of the producing wells amounted to 6,240 barrels. The wells in Indiana for the week were

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	Jasper	2	15	
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Ottawa Miscellaneous Totals TO RAISE STANDARD

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Bids for a Five Years' Supply of Books for the Schools of Indiana to Be Advertised.

OF SCHOOLBOOKS

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 13.-Superinent Frank W. Cooley, of the city schools, who is a member of the State Board of Education, says the resolution of the board last week to readvertise for bids on a large list of schoolbooks for another five-year period, beginning next September, will raise the standard of books used in Indiana schools. The field will be open to the best bidder, by the State board's resolution, and the most modern and comprehensive books in the market will be submitted for consid-

book contracts to the State law department. The action of November, 1902, renewing the existing contract, was declared invalid by the attorney general.

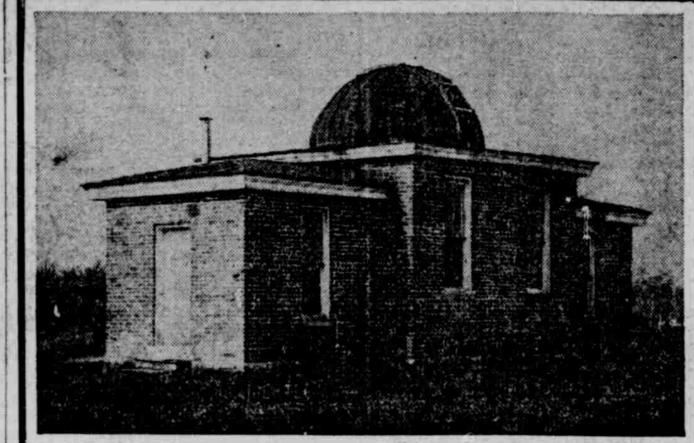
PRICES OF BROOM CORN.

They Remain Steady and Surprise the Dealers.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PARIS, Ill., Dec. 13 .- The broom corn situation remains the puzzle that it has been for several weeks past and even the older and more experienced brokers will not offer All conditions have been favoring high prices, but for some unknown reason in only a few instances has over \$100 per ton

been paid for brush. Unusual Suit Against a Publican.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. HARTFORD CITY, Ind., Dec. 13 .- Because her husband lost his job, as she alleges, through becoming intoxicated in W.



OLD OBSERVATORY OF EARLHAM COLLEGE AT RICHMOND, IND.

EARLHAM OBSERVATORY IS OF HISTORIC NOTE

fore the Civil War and Its Equatorial Has a History.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 13 .- One of the and contains instruments that are of much more value than their mere commercial quotation. William Haughton, an early teacher and officer of the school, was the Eastern astronomer, who, at the time, was fitting himself with larger instruments. At

At that time there was in existence a soclety of young people which took upon itself the name of "The Philosophical and Literary Institute of Indiana Yearly Meeting." It had as one of its incorporated purposes assistance to the college. It undertook to build a suitable home for the equatorial and other instruments then at hand. It was completed in 1861. The equatorial was placed on the same pedestal on which the present instrument stands. It was of service until 1870, when all the lenses were stolen. They were replaced in 1872 by those now in use. They were made by Herman Fritz, a noted German optician, at a cost of The wooden tube, which was a part of the original, was at that time replaced by the present metal one.

The transit is of considerable value. It is a three-inch instrument of the type used by the United States geodetic survey. The instrument was at first mounted at Fort | security. Sumter, but at the breaking out of the war was removed to this city. It is a valuable part of the equipment and has done some very efficient work. The clock was purchased by Elijah Coffin, one of the trustees, in the sixties. It was purchased at Cincinnati. He carried the pendulum in his hand to preserve the compensation. The clock has done good work, running for fif-teen months without varying forty-five sec-onds from true time. The other instruments in the observatory are of recent

WITHHOLD DECISIONS IN DIVORCE CASES

Courts Will Take Sixty Days to Canvass Suits.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 13 .- Lawyers of Vanderburg county were surprised today when they learned of the action to curb divorce proceedings taken by Judges Rasch and Foster, of the Circuit and Superior Courts. The two judges promulgated yesterday an order, effective Jan. 1, to withhold decisions in divorce actions (excepting interlocutory orders) for sixty days, or for such time within that limit as will give the courts time to canvass and cogitate the

cases thoroughly. The action, it is thought, will have a tendency to stop a number of divorce suits which are brought as threats, or as a means of forestalling criminal process for Terre Haute and in other Indiana counties.

ON TRIAL FOR LIFE ON MURDER CHARGE

Tuesday for Killing of His Father-in-Law.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal, PORTLAND, Ind., Dec. 13 .- Joseph Osborne, a farmer, will go on trial for his life at Decatur Tuesday, charged with the murder of his father-in-law. John Busenbark. Osborne and Busenbark quarreled over the right to some property, and Busenbark was shot to death.

UNUSUAL TESTIMONY.

Claimed It Will Be Introduced in Trial of John Slaten.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. 13 .- Some unusual testimony will be introduced in the Circuit Court to-morrow in the cases of the State against John Slaten, who will be tried on fifteen grand jury indictments. charging him with operating a "blind tiger" at Henryville. Slaten will present a quan-It was on Mr. Cooley's initiative that the tity of wine and beer, the kind which he sold at his place of business, and will claim that it is nonintoxicating. The principal question that arises is whether the jury will be called upon to decide as to the intoxicating qualities of the beverages and how they will proceed. The wine and beer were man-ufactured by a firm in Keokuk, Ia.

RECEIVER AGREED ON.

Melvin U. Demarest to Take local railroad agents. Charge of Elkhart Company.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ELKHART, Ind., Dec. 13.-Melvin Demarest has been agreed upon, and morrow probably will be appointed, receiver for the Consolidated Paper and Bag' Mechanics' liens aggregating \$40,000 are prepared for filing early in the morning. One of these is for \$35,000, by the National Manufacturing Company, which is a kindred concern.

Milk Saved His Life.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. Martin D. Stamper, a prominent contractor. swallowed a spoonful of corrosive sublimate last night by mistake, thinking it was medicine. Immediately after he drank a glass of sweet milk, and his physician says that this is all that saved his ite.

LONG-DELAYED TRIAL

Its Transit Was in Fort Sumter Be- | Charges of Forgery Against Him to Be Taken Up To-Day in Madison County Court.

OF MANSON JOHNSON

3,000,000 barrels more than the wells have STORY OF THE CLOCK HISTORY OF THE CASE

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 13 .- The long-deinteresting spots at Earlham College, about layed trials of Manson U. Johnson, exwhich little is ever said and which from its | county superintendent of schools in Madiproductiveness of the new wells in nearly unpretentious nature attracts little atten- son county, and the manager of a school all fields near development. Some have lost tion from the passer-by, is the observatory. Supply company, of this city, of which he sight of the fact that it was this condition that brought a betterment of the in- It has a history that is of much interest was the head and moving spirit, will be ical free silver advocates and would rather called in the Mardison Circuit Court to-

> There are two cases set for hearing tomeans of securing the equatorial. It was which forgery is alleged, and the other a bought of R. B. Rutherford, a prominent | civil action wherein the Peck-Williamson Company, of Cincinnati, seeks to recover property in the possession of Johnson at that time it was the best piece in the State | the time of the latter's failure, almost two years ago. The forgery case is but one of many of similar charges. It is alleged that paper which Johnson put up as collateral security in borrowing money was worthless. There was a similar case in Tipton county, and it was on the complaint of a bank in Tipton that Johnson was hunted down and finally located at Hot Springs and returned to his home here. In the meantime Johnson has been making a good many adjustments. The trial promises to unearth the business methods of Johnson in his dealings with township trustees throughout the entire State.

> > George Mather, a wealthy manufacturer of this city, will appear as the prosecuting witness at the trial to-morrow, as he became creditor for Johnson to a large amount, taking forged paper as collateral

JUDGE JAMES CHENEY DIED FROM OLD AGE

Led Active Business Life and Accumulated Big Fortune-Built Many Railroads.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 13.-Judge James Cheney died here to-day at his home on Spyrun avenue, aged eighty-six. Death Judges of Circuit and Superior was due to debilities of age. He was believed to be five times a millionaire, and was well known in the best financial circles

of New York.

He was born in Vermont, but before he was twenty he was a store keeper in Adrian, Mich., and later attended to the building of the Wabash and Erie canal. His fortune was made in building railroads and in real estate. For many years he owned the gas plant here. He came to Fort Wayne fifty years ago, but lived part of the time in Logansport, where one daughter, Mrs. Judge Nelson, resides. He was of secluded habits and had few intimates, so that any very accurate estimate of his wealth cannot be obtained When the estate is administered, it will be found to consist mostly of stocks and

Other Necrology.

FRANKLIN, Ind., Dec. 12.-James B wife desertion. It is in line with practice | county, died yesterday morning at his home recently announced in the county courts at | near Franklin. He was found in his office on his farm last Sunday afternoon in an unconscious condition and remained in that state until his death. A stroke of apoplexy was responsible. The funeral will be held Monday afternoon, Mr. Luyster was known throughout this and neighboring States as a raiser of fancy stock and as an auctioneer. He was forty-eight years Osborne's Case Will Begin Next old, the son of ex-Mayor H. H. Luyster, and had spent his entire life in Johnson county. He had taken an active part in Republican politics and served one term as trustee of Pleasant township. A widow and five children survive.

PARIS, Ill., Dec. 13.-Isaac Herrick, aged seventy-nine, a veteran of the civil war, who served in the Thirteenth Illinois Infantry, is dead at his home in Robinson.

INDIANA NOTES.

FRANKLIN .- A mass meeting of the Johnson county veterans of the different wars was held at the courthouse Saturday afternoon to take steps toward raising a fund for the erection of a soldiers' monu-ment in Franklin. John T. Vawter has started the fund with a subscription of \$5,000. Col. J. M. Storey presided at the meeting and, after several speeches, Col. Storey, Capt. Edward Middleton and John W. Ragsdale were appointed a committee to take charge of the matter and to arrange for a big mass meeting of the citizens of the county in the interest of the project. ANDERSON.-The American Tin Plate

Company was made defendant in a \$5,000 damage suit here Saturday evening. The plaintiff is Alonzo Free, who was an emplaintin is Alonzo Free, who was an employe of the company. He alleges that he received lasting and serious injuries while working for the tin-plate company, at the instigation of Superintendent Daniels and Chief Mechanic William Lewis. Free fell a distance of twenty feet and thereby sustained serious injuries. LAFAYETTE.-Preparations are well under way for the corn school which will be held at Purdue during the last week of January, as given notice in The Journal heretofore. The railroads have granted a one-

and-a-third-fare rate. Those who wish to take advantage of it should write to W. C. Latta, Lafayette, for a certificate which will entitle them to secure it from their SHELBYVILLE. - The Catholic fair. which had been in progress for four days. closed Saturday night. Miss Josie Schaf. one of the operators at the Bell telephone

St. Joseph Catholic Church. She received 1,0821/2 votes. Miss Edith Fleming was a Transfer Just for Convenience. close second with 1,072 votes. PORTLAND,-The Rev. Elmer Kahl was installed on Sunday as pastor of the Bry-ant Lutheran Church. The Rev. M. L. Smith, president of the Synod of Northern Indiana, delivered the charge to the pastor, and the Rev. E. E. Neibel, of Lagrange, secretary of the synod, delivered the charge

office, was voted the most popular girl of the

Dr. I. B. Washburn, of Rensselaer, died at Valparaiso as the result of the negligence of Chicago surgeons, who, at the time of an operation, two years ago, left a pair of steel forceps inside him near his liver. The president and cashier of the failed Elkhart bank were arrested and secured bond with difficulty. Banker Ellison, of the Lagrange and Topeka private banks, mules were cremated. The loss is about was arrested at Lagrange.

BRYAN AND HEARST TO CAUSE MORE DISCORD

They Will Fire the Hearts of First | Anderson and Marion Must Get District Silverites on the Evening of Jan. 5.

GOLD MEN ARE ANGRY TRAFFIC IS VERY HEAVY

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 13.-The coming of William Jennings Bryan and W. R. train service" between Anderson and Ma Hearst to this city on the night of Jan. 5. rion, which has proved so popular between when they will deliver addresses under the | Muncie, Anderson and Indianapolis, an auspices of the Jefferson League of the was recently installed between Anderson State, has aroused considerable bitterness and Marion, was discontinued by order of in the First congressional district and in the traffic manager of the Indiana Union southern Indiana between the Democratic | Traction Company and became effective tofactions-the gold and silver wings of the day. The "limited" service between Marior party-and it is predicted the meeting will and Anderson had become regarded as a prove a "freeze-out" for the gold men. necessity to relieve the congestion which Why Bryan and Hearst should visit the this line is subject to, as almost every State at this time is a mystery to the gold | hourly-service train is required to carry Democrats, who believe that the reorgan- trailer to accommodate the passengers. ization of the party at this time is the only | The promoters of the limited service were thing to insure success.

It was arranged to have Bryan and of the through service by charging an in-Hearst speak here in December, but the crease in the fare on account of the opposiinstrumental in bringing these so-called leaders here are men who stood for free silver and many other isms long before the nomination of the "boy orator" in 1896 on a free-silver platform. Thus far, in the meetings held to arrange for the January meeting, the gold Democrats have not been

The officers of the Jefferson League in Indiana are: President, Edgar, L. Maines, Zionsville; vice president, William R. Reister, Evansville; secretary, Claude G. Bowers, Terre Haute; treasurer, U. S. Jackson, Four for Linwood and it was the second see the party go down in defeat, it is said, than permit the reorganizers to regain control. Bowers was one of the Bryan leaders in the central part of the State in 1896 and Reister was one of his lieutenants in the First congressional district. In 1898 Reister aspired to the district chairmanship and was defeated by Clinton F. Rose, who was backed by the gold men. The breach between the gold and free silver men in this end of the State has not been healed in the least since 1896 and they have refused to affiliate with each other in conventions The coming of Bryan and Hearst, it is predicted, will widen the breach

Why should Bryan and Hearst come at this time? is a question the reorganizers are asking themselves. Does Bryan favor Hearst for the presidency, and if not, why do they come together? One of the radical free silver men here who supported Bryan in his two campaigns says he thinks Bryan would like to see the nomination go to Hearst next year, now that Tom Johnson is out of the way. He is of the opinion that had Johnson cut down the big Republican majority in Ohio last November Bryan would have favored

Johnson for the presidency, but now the Ohio leader is not to be considered. A Democrat prominent in the district, who was never a Bryan man at heart, because of his free silver views, says the motive for Bryan in coming here in January is to prevent the gold men reorganizing the party. He says Bryan imagines he can create a sentiment in this end of the State against reorganization. The night following the banquet here Bryan and Hearst will speak in Indianapolis.

Southern Indiana has been a hot-bed of Bryanism for several years. In 1896 Bryan carried this (the First) district by a large majority, while the Republican nominee for Congress was elected by over 1,000 majority. The Bryan men in the First district are outspoken in their opposition to reorganization, and the word has gone along the line to su port no man who was not a Bryan follower in his two campaigns in 1896 and 1900. At the first meeting held in this city a few days ago to arrange for the Bryan-Hearst meeting the most radical free silver men in the district were here. One of those who attended was Judge Thomas H. Dillon of Petersburg, who has stood for nearly every third party movement since the war between the States. He is an aspirant for Congress, and it is said he will have the solid support of the Bryan men in the dis-

It is evident from present indications that the Bryan-Hearst "love-feast," as it has been termed, will be a boost for the free silver men and a set back to the conserva-tive Democrats who believe in reorganization. What the result of the meeting will be is only a matter of conjecture, but able politicians say it will have the effect of creating havoc and more discord in the

SANK IN A COAL PIT.

Man, While Walking Along, Suddenly Disappeared in Ground. LONDON, Dec. 14.-There is consternation

in the town of Henley, in Staffordshire, A man while walking through a street yesterday, suddenly sank through the footway into the earth and was engulfed in a way into the earth and was enguited in a coal mine long since disused. All attempts or the Missouri Attorney General Threat-A funeral service was held to-day near the spot where the man sank. It was attended by the mayor and the members of the corporation. The Town Council is now facing the problem of how to deal with the disused coal pits which undermine the dis-

ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH.

Golden Jubilee Celebration of Its Organization at Pittsburg. PITTSBURG, Dec. 13 .- With all the dignity and pomp which characterize the

most important religious celebrations in the Catholic Church, St. Bridget's Church, in Enoch street, to-day opened the golden jubilee celebration of its organization. Solemn pontifical high mass was the initial service of the jubilee this morning. Monsignor Diomede Felconio, of Washington, attired in the rich vestments of his office, presided on the throne. Bishop Garvey was the celebrant. Right Rev. J. F. Regis Canevin, coadjutor bishop of Pittsburg diocese, preached the sermon. Pre-ceding the sermon, Father Martin Ryan, pastor of the church, announced that the debt which had hung over the church for fifty years was paid and the mortgage could be burned.

World's Fair's Women Managers. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13.-Miss Helen M Gould, a member of the Board of Women Managers of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, arrived here to-day, accompanied by six young women, who are all staying at the Southern Hotel. A number of other members of the Board of Women Managers are also here to attend the meeting, which convenes Tuesday.

Miner Held Under Martial Law. CRIPPLE CREEK, Col., Dec. 13 .- D. C. Copley, a member of the executive com-mittee of the Western Federation of Miners, was arrested here to-day by the mili tary authorities. Copley was implicated in the alleged attempt to blow up the Sun and Moon mine at Idaho Springs last sum-mer. "Military necessity," is the only reason given for the arrest.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 13.—President T. J. Hearne, of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, has stated, in an interview, that the recent transfer of all the fuel properties of that company to the Rocky Mountain Coal and Iron Company was made merely as a convenience from a business point of view. The transfer of holdings included

Mine Stables Burned. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 13 .- The stables of the First avenue coal mine, near the

thirty-five coal mines.

TO DISCONTINUE THE "LIMITED SERVICE"

Along with Ordinary Schedule of Traction Trains.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 13.-The "limited prevented from adding to the effectiveness

meeting was postponed because of the go- tion of the County Commissioners of Grant ing abroad of Bryan. The men who were county. Under the terms of the franchise granted in Grant, the traction company can charge but 1 cent a mile for passenger maintained without an increase in transportation rates and this the commissioners would not permit. The limited trains were taken possession of by passengers that could not be controlled and for these two reasons the service is discontinued. In the meantime the traffic continues to be unusually heavy.

The extent to which the traction company has interfered with the local way traffic of the Big Four is readily seen in the statement of the local office here. On Friday of this week a ticket was sold over the Big fused to state whether the "limited" trains would be renewed in case the Grant County Commissioners relented or not.

TEN BLAST FURNACES IN RECEIVERS' HANDS

Saxton Furnace Company, of Saxton, Pa., Finds Itself in Financial Straits.

BEDFORD, Pa., Dec. 13 .- On application of A. A. Stevens for sundry creditors, and J. H. Reynolds for the Saxton Furnace Company, in a bill and answer in equity, filed before Judge Wood at Lewiston, last night, William Lauder and Charles H. Scott were appointed receivers of the Saxton Furnace Company, at Saxton, Pa.

The property consists of ten large blast furnaces, with a capacity of 200 tons of pig iron daily, at Saxton, ore and coal mines in Bedford and Huntingdon counties and the Valley iron mills, at Coatesville, comprising 500 acres, at an original cost of The receivers take charge at once and will operate the plant for a time, at least. The

expected that all creditors will be paid in DRIVEN BACK TO PORT BY THE FIERCE GALE

epression in the iron market, the high cost

of materials and some unprofitable invest-

ments cause the embarrassmeent, but it is

Steamship Menominee Disabled a Sea and After Temporary Repairs Returns to England.

LONDON, Dec. 13 .- The Atlantic Transport Line steamer Menominee, from London, Dec. 3. for New York, which put into Falmouth to-day, reports that she encountered heavy gales and that, when 560 miles west of the Scilly Islands, on Dec. 7, she had a terrible experience. Huge waves broke over the vessel, one wave smashing the rudder head and rendering the ship unmanageable. After the storm had somewhat abated the crew endeavored to make temporary repairs, but the Menominee drifted at the mercy of the sea for several days, it being impossible to steer her, and she was driven back within 360 miles of the Scilly islands.

Temporary repairs were eventually effected, and Captain Lucas decided to return to the nearest port. Tugs were sent from the Lizard to assist the Menominee, but she steamed to Falmouth unassisted. It is reported that the passengers are all well.

CROW IS VERY SICK.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13.-It was learned to-

night that Attorney General E. C. Crow. who, since his return from New York last week, had been convalescing from a severe cold at the residence of A. C. Steuver, suffered a relapse to-day and is in a serious condition, suffering from heart trouble and threatened with pneumonia. He fainted to-day and Drs. Given, Campbell and Lutz, who were called in consulta-tion, are spending the night with the pa-

How Many Meals a Day? Boston Transcript.

Have you ever taken time to reckon the multiplicity of the theories nowadays with regard to the number of meals that should fill out the day's fare and the hours at which they should be eaten? If you have done this the probability is that you emerged from the study in arithmetic convinced that it makes precious little dif-ference what a man is doing as long as he is possessed of a sufficient amount of faith in the line he is following. For you can easily call to mind half a dozen of your acquiaintances who say that their health has improved 100 per cent, since they canceled their breakfasts and took to eating a rather hearty luncheon. And within sound of your voice are as many other persons who declare they never knew what perfect health meant till they cut out the idday meal altogether, allowing a satisfying breakfast and a not too late dinner to cover the amount of food consumed through the day. Then come to your mind the lusty exponents of the theory that five meals a day are none too many to keep the body in fuel, and another set who gloat over the robust condition they have wooed and won through clinging to a regimen that allows but one square meal a day.

And if you feel to take a firm stand for or against any one article of food or drink and are looking for examples to help you to a decision, you get quite as much con-fused in any attempt to decide who has the right of the case with him. One will tell you he cannot drink coffee because it affects him in such and such a way. while another will tell you that he never could get through his day's work without its gently sumulating influence, and that he knows it benefits him because he always sleeps like a baby after drinking it late at night. Going through the list of things that men eat and drink you will find the same pros and cons apply and it becomes fearfully bewildering before you get half through the list. So, if you care to search the records of food causes that medical journals have championed, say for the last century, you will find that what was blest in one decade was derided in the next. And then you know you aren't the next. And then you know you aren't the only one who has almost been swamped by contradictory evidence in the case of the people vs. food. When, however, you get where you are convinced that some great occult moral principle underlies these differences which are after all only superficial, and then undertake to study this principle, and its ramifications, you are bound to have your first real satisfaction from the problem, though you probably will not be able to get off the fence in your cogitations on this aspect of it.



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